

TABLE 1	
Summary of the results of the 1997-1998 survey of the 100 largest U.S. corporations	
1. Overall results	
a. Total number of corporations surveyed	100
b. Total number of corporations that reported a net income	98
c. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	2
d. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	96
e. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	4
f. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	92
2. Industry results	
a. Total number of corporations surveyed	100
b. Total number of corporations that reported a net income	98
c. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	2
d. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	96
e. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	4
f. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	92
3. Geographic results	
a. Total number of corporations surveyed	100
b. Total number of corporations that reported a net income	98
c. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	2
d. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	96
e. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	4
f. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	92
4. Financial results	
a. Total number of corporations surveyed	100
b. Total number of corporations that reported a net income	98
c. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	2
d. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	96
e. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	4
f. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	92
5. Operational results	
a. Total number of corporations surveyed	100
b. Total number of corporations that reported a net income	98
c. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	2
d. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	96
e. Total number of corporations that reported a net loss	4
f. Total number of corporations that reported a net profit	92

Abstract of Disclosure

An upper imperforate cap closes the uppermost end of a bailer and a lower imperforate cap closes the lowermost end of the bailer. In a preferred embodiment, screwthreads are formed in the uppermost and lowermost ends of the bailer and complementary screwthreads are formed in the upper and lower caps. In another embodiment, screwthreads are formed in a downspout and complementary screwthreads are formed in an imperforate downspout cap. By capping the opposite ends of a bailer, the bailer serves as its own container when the sample contained within it is shipped to a laboratory. This eliminates VOC devices, nozzles, and the concomitant contamination that may result from emptying a bailer in the field.